

## LOCAL BREVITIES.

C. R. Bishop arrived yesterday.

Mrs. H. N. Castle returned by the China.

Late foreign news by the China appears in this issue.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Gunn and their children leave today for a short visit to Maui.

Two tracts of Government land at Awawiki, Hilo, will be sold at auction on March 16th.

Frank L. Hoogs, formerly connected with this journal, is again in town. He arrived on Saturday.

A steamer of flags adorned the pole in front of the Chinese engine house yesterday in honor of the Celestial new year.

More interesting matter concerning the Jones locked wire fence appears in the Hawaiian Hardware Company's column.

Miss Lita Wilder will leave by the Kinaiu this afternoon for Mahukona where she will take charge of a Government school.

The following persons will leave for the Volcano today: Mrs. Tilton, Miss Mullen, Mrs. Van Vliet, Dr. Cloud and Mr. Coulter.

Almost the whole of the United States has been swept by a very cold wave, and the suffering among the poor is said to have been intense.

A farewell party to Mrs. Ernest Thrum was given at Mr. T. G. Thrum's last evening. Mrs. Thrum leaves for Papehau today to join her husband.

As an art supplement, the San Francisco Examiner is publishing a series of well-executed colored lithographs of the buildings of the Midwinter Fair.

The heavy weather of the last few days has suspended business on the Hilo and Hamakua coasts, and 60,000 bags of sugar are awaiting shipment.

Six natives left for the Midwinter Fair by the Australia last Saturday. They were James B. Pakele, B. Kaneali, S. Kolikoli, Miss Kaihumua, A. and L. Kaihumua.

Minister Damon, in his speech before the American League last evening, said that he hoped that the organization would soon have a representative in the Councils.

It was stated, through an error, that J. A. Martin was the introducer to the Annexation Club of the resolution endorsing the enlargement of the Councils. A communication on the subject appears in this morning's issue.

A man from the sealer Alton, now off port, is said to have swam ashore Saturday. The man, who is known as "Sailor" Brown, is reported as a hard character, and the police are keeping their eyes open for him.

The Pearl City Fruit Company have elected the following officers, to serve for the ensuing year: President, W. J. Lowrie; Vice-President, J. Lyle; Treasurer, A. B. Lindsay; Secretary, D. B. Murdoch; Auditor, J. A. Lyle.

## THE AMERICAN LEAGUE.

## A Large Attendance At Its Open Meeting Last Evening.

The large hall of the American League was crowded last evening at the open meeting of that organization. Every chair in the room was occupied, and many had to stand up.

W. N. Armstrong had been invited to address the meeting, and he did, to the great satisfaction of those present. He spoke about an hour and was frequently interrupted by applause from his listeners.

On the platform were seated, besides the speaker of the evening, Ministers King, Damon and Smith, Marshal Hitchcock and Colonel Soper, all of whom made short addresses. Besides these speakers, Messrs. Magoon, Waterhouse, Nott, McStocker and several others made five minute addresses.

## SAYS IT IS BETTER.

## Ashford Refuses to Talk On Hawaiian Politics.

C. W. Ashford, when asked yesterday if he could give any news concerning the Hawaiian matter, said:

"See here, I have buried one newspaper man during my trip to the States, and I don't want to start another burying ground here. Just tell the dear public, if they want to know, that that is better. That is about all I have to say about politics."

## LATEST NEWS FROM ABROAD.

## Abolition. After a Long Debate, of the Duty on Sugar.

## ROYAL TRAPPINGS AT SAN FRANCISCO.

Insanity of the Princess of Wales—Rosina Vokes, the Noted English Actress, Dead—Terrible Blizzards and Intense Cold in the United States.

## Sugar.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—Cuban centrifugal, 96 degrees, 3.03 cents; granulated, 4.06 cents.

A dispatch from Washington, dated the 23d, details the fate of the sugar bounty and tariff.

On the 22d the sugar debate opened. Bowers, of California, spoke for the retention of the bounty.

The final defeat of the sugar men came on the 24th, as shown by the following dispatch:

"The House, today, determined upon abolition of the duty upon refined sugar, passed upon just before the House adjourned last night. The way out of the confusion which existed upon the effect of the amendment adopted last night was found, after two hours' discussion of the parliamentary situation, by submitting the question to the House as to whether the Warner amendment, placing refined sugar on the free list, should be considered as a substitute for the Robertson amendment. This was decided affirmatively, and then by an overwhelming vote, in which Republicans joined with radical Democrats against the sugar men and several members of the Ways and Means Committee, the substitute was adopted. The Committee of the Whole has abolished the bounty and placed all sugar, both raw and refined, upon the free list."

"The general impression is that the defeat of the sugar men and those interested in retaining the duty upon coal will result in strengthening the movement developed on the Democratic side to recommit the bill. If the iron men are defeated, and especially if the income tax be placed upon the bill as a rider later in the week, another strong faction on the Democratic side will be added to this movement. Republicans will all vote for the motion to recommit, and with the Democrats who do not care to vote against the bill outright, but who are not satisfied with it in its present form, they may be able to muster a majority to send it back to the committee. This is now admitted on all sides to be the chief danger to the bill. If it could be brought to a direct vote there is no question about its passing."

"The pending amendment when the House went into committee of the whole to discuss the tariff bill was that of Robertson, imposing a duty on raw sugar and increasing the duty on refined, as amended by Warner, placing both raw and refined on the free list."

"The confusion entailed by these two in congruous amendments had first to be straightened out."

"Dingley claimed that the Warner amendment was utterly inconsistent with the Robertson amendment, and should be considered as a substitute."

"Robertson took issue with him, maintaining that the effect of the Warner amendment was simply to place refined sugar on the free list, leaving so much of his amendment as imposed a duty on sugar below 16, Dutch standard, unaffected."

"A vote was finally taken on the Warner amendment as a substitute, and it was carried—151 to 38."

## Royal Trappings at the Fair.

If Queen Liliuokalani is restored, she will find that the royal trappings of her throne-room have disappeared. She will find that the throne and its appurtenances are gone; that the royal bedchamber is dismantled; that the private and semi-public possessions of the dead King Kalakaua are not on the islands; that his own personal effects and valuable keepsakes have been taken away; and that almost every insignia of royalty has gone from the island kingdom. They are all in the Hawaiian Village at the Exposition as loans from the Provisional Government. The news of their arrival here on the Monowai was kept secret that none on the islands might know it until as late as possible.

These possessions are, of course, invaluable, and will be constantly guarded during the Fair. The throne is an elaborate affair, golden chairs covered with crimson and shaded by a canopy of yellow, the royal color. On either side is a kahili made of almost priceless feathers. The queen's bed is there, and will be arranged as if in the ex-royal house of the islands. Some of the costly gifts made to the dead King are in the collection. One is a mammoth smoking pipe of meerschaum, with ornaments of solid gold. It cost something more than \$1000. The dead king's royal uniform, weighted with bullion, is in the village. His royal robes of tapa cloth may be seen, and all around are scattered costly fabrics and tokens of a barbaric king.

The liberality of the Provisional Government, it is said, is not to end here, and there is a reasonable expectation that the crown itself will be here on the next steamer. The cushions upon which it rests have been given already and the rest is expected. In addition to the royal trappings the village has two of the bronze cannon which figured in the late revolution. It has some of the breastworks then used, and will build a miniature fortress.

Among the freight on the last steamer were a number of ancient relics taken from the islands. Around each has been woven a romantic and strangely interesting story. There is the sled upon which the Goddess of Fire rides to her dreadful home in the

burning lake of Kilauea. There are sacks of "barking sand" taken from the dreary and desolate place inhabited by the souls of departed Hawaiians. It is a curious collection and the first which Americans will be enabled to see. Even were they to visit the Hawaiian Islands they could not view the relics around which so much reverence and awe circle.

## American News.

Evans, the California bandit, has apparently eluded the officers and is now said to be in Lower California. His escape was one of the boldest in the history of the country.

Lillian Russell, the noted prima-donna, is married for the fourth time. The latest victim is Signor Giovanni Perugini, a tenor.

Dr. Talmage, who has occupied the pulpit in the Brooklyn Tabernacle for the past twenty-five years, has decided to resign. He will leave the church deeply in debt.

On January 23d, Frank Meagher and his blind wife were shot to death by an unknown assassin at their home near Pasadena, California. The shooting was done through the window and the crime is supposed to have been committed by a nephew who desired to inherit their wealth.

Laura Schirmer Mapleson, the famous songstress, is dead. She was once the favorite in the harem of the Sultan.

Constance Fennimore Woolson, the famous novelist, and niece of James Fennimore Cooper, died in Venice on January 23d.

The Eastern and Western States have been swept by a terrible blizzard. It was accompanied by heavy snows and intense cold, the thermometer ranging to thirty-eight degrees below zero in some sections of the Northwest.

During the severe storm which swept the State last week, a landslide occurred at Bolinas which wrecked almost the entire village. No lives were lost.

## Foreign News.

The news from Italy shows that the suffering in the provinces is increasing and the situation grows more serious for the government. The Pope has written a letter on the subject in which he warns the powers that something must be done to stop the uprising. It is stated that should the trouble increase the Pope will leave the Vatican and probably go to Spain. In some sections of Italy the people are starving by hundreds.

Rosina Vokes, the famous English actress is dead.

Yellow fever is epidemic in Rio Janeiro and may put an end to hostilities.

The Khedive has apologized to England and the promised row in that country will not materialize.

The French Chamber has had another scene in which the members raged like madmen. The result was the expulsion of a member and the summoning of soldiers to quell the disturbance.

The Princess of Wales has gone insane. Grief over the loss of her son was the cause and it is doubtful if she will recover her reason. She believes that the Duke of Clarence is alive and kept from her.

Emperor William has made peace with Bismarck and the Iron Chancellor will now be his adviser.

The rebels in Brazil have won another victory over Peixoto in which they captured a fort and took 200 prisoners.

Mexico has made a claim for the possession of the islands in the Santa Barbara Channel on the ground that they were not included in the territory ceded to this government.

## THE BISHOP IS GONE.

## Rapidly Breaking Up on the Kauai Rocks.

Captain C. J. Campbell returned from Kauai on the steamer Mikahala on Saturday morning. He reported that when the Mikahala left Nawiliwili on Friday evening, only twenty-five feet of the bow of the steamer C. R. Bishop remained and the heavy seas still continued battering it on the rocks. It is feared that nothing remains now of the ill-fated vessel excepting the engines and boilers. R. A. Andrews, who was in command of the Bishop when she was wrecked, stated to Captain Campbell that the loss of the vessel was due to miscalculation. As the weather was hazy at the time, the captain could not see the low lands of Hanalei, and believing the vessel was farther off than she was, did not slow down. Captain Andrews, Chief Engineer Wesner and four other officers of the Bishop returned to Honolulu on the Mikahala.

About one-third of the cargo was saved and delivered to its owners. The Bishop, although fourteen years old, was valued at \$30,000, her original cost being \$45,000. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Rice, of Kauai, took care of the crew and passengers of the wreck and the latter wish to express their gratitude to their kind host and hostess.

## A BIG JUMP.

## Hawaiian Commercial Stock Quoted at \$50 a Share.

In the Examiner of the 21st of January a long article appeared, about the Hawaiian Commercial and Sugar Company. It was stated that T. B. Bishop, who arrived here on the Australia, had come to expert the company's accounts, as the confidential agent of C. A. Spreckels. It also stated that the price of the stock had jumped from \$5 to \$50 a share.

Daily Advertiser, 50 cents per month, delivered by carrier.

## LATEST NEWS FROM HAWAII.

## Happenings in the Hilo and Kohala Districts.

## THE SUGAR MILLS ARE KEPT BUST.

Guardian Davies is Flooding Kohala With His Pamphlets—Japanese Residents are Preparing for the Franchise—Fire at the Kohala Seminary.

HILO, February 1.—The weather has been the most plentiful commodity about town during the past ten days and in fact for the month of January. The sun is vying with the rain for supremacy and has been distanced in the encounter. It is thought that the rain gauges in this district will show the biggest monthly record for two years past.

In spite of the "dull times" people are moving to town to stay. Mrs. and Dr. Le Blonde have taken the lower story of the "Coney House," and Mr. and Mrs. Furneaux the upper story, and will operate on the flat plan. Mrs. Dr. Le Blonde has opened an office in the same building to practice homeopathy.

Mr. A. G. Curtis and family have leased the Coan cottage in Church street (which has been vacant for a year or more), and intend to make Hilo their home.

The brig Lurline, Mattson master, came into port on the 27th January, after being in sight for two days, seventeen days from San Francisco, bringing a full cargo of general merchandise, ten mules, two cows, one horse, and one passenger.

The four-masted vessel Charles F. Crockett has been receiving sugar this week, and expects to sail with about fifteen hundred tons on Sunday the 4th inst.

The s. s. Hawaii is plying between this port and the Hakalau Plantation bringing sugar and taking freight from the Lurline.

Mr. J. R. Wilson has purchased four donkeys for the Hawaiian exhibit at the Midwinter Fair, and ships them by this s. s. Kinaiu. One of them made things lively along the street when being led to the landing, and will help to make things cheerful at the fair, if the cold weather does not tame him down.

Mr. Alexander Young and two daughters came to town by the last Kinaiu, and are guests of Mr. C. C. Kennedy. They expect to go to the volcano next week, and return to Honolulu by the Hall.

L. Lunar goes to Honolulu on business connected with the "Emporium" trip of the steamer.

The volcano tourists in town have made things lively for the Hilo Hotel this week, and it is hoped that the crowds that have long been expected as the result of advertising will begin to flock to the great wonder. All speak highly of the trip, and of the sights in and around the volcano.

The sugar mills of this district are all in full blast turning out sugar by the hundreds of tons daily, and unless the weather moderates there promises to be a glut in all the storehouses along the coast.

KOHALA, Feb. 2.—Kohala is in a literary mood. The letters of T. H. Davies pertaining unto the politics of Hawaii are in our midst in pamphlet form. They have been scattered around with lavish hand, and are to be had without money and without price and everybody has had a look at them. They have brightened up our social evenings wonderfully. When, in spite of frantic efforts to keep conversation going, dead silence settles down upon an unhappy company, Mr. Davies' letters divide with the weather the honors of restoring the murmur of voices again. They are a very green oasis of suggestion in a desert of talk. Their thrilling interest never flags, and the enthusiasm reaches its climax over that touching Christmas nocturne. A wise man long ago said, "Oh, that mine enemy would write a book." And the Annexationists seem really joyful over Mr. Davies' timely addition to our literature.

A literary society has been started here without any special reference to Mr. Davies, and will probably not discuss his literary efforts just now, as they are modestly beginning with the lesser lights. They promise to brighten up our long winter evenings with entertainment and share the honors with the dance. It is said that one of our most accomplished literary lights has been elected president. But fuller particulars will transpire before next mail, and the public will in due time be further informed.

The Japanese have a strong political organization in our midst, whose avowed object is, here as elsewhere, to secure the Hawaiian franchise for the subjects of the Mikado. Their numbers, capabilities and strength ought not to be underrated by the Government. They are not inclined to be aggressive politically. One aim seems to be to learn to speak and write the English language, for they recognize that as a probable requirement in obtaining the franchise. Their methods seem to be slow and sure, and they offer no ground for immediate apprehension.

The political situation is the first subject of interest here still. When a mail steamer arrives the central telephone men complain that the wires get hot under the flow of questions. The feeling of indignation regarding the parts played by Willis and Mills is strong, and increasing if possible. The part played by these emissaries of the chief executive of the United States is a humiliation to every American on the islands. The feeling here is that they should be dismissed.

The short crops and the low price for sugar make the commercial outlook unpromising. But all the mills are at work, and grinding is going steadily on. The rains, so long looked for, are coming at last. And in commerce as in politics, we mean to fight it out, and win.

An alarm of fire at the seminary

created a ripple of excitement one day last week. It was just in the noon hour of an exceptionally calm day when the alarm was given. Everyone turned out. The two neighboring plantations dropped work, and managers, lunas and laborers hurried en masse to their assistance, an army on the double quick. Fortunately the fire was discovered before it made much headway. And the school assisted by the nearest neighbors soon had the fire under control. The damage was slight. The fire was caused by sparks from the kitchen smoke-stack, and the outcome will probably be a galvanized iron roof.

The postal authorities are nobly redeeming their promise of a better mail service. We have had three mails in the last ten days, and we begin to see that we are a part of the family at last. If this continues our Postmaster General will divide the honors with our President for popularity.

A sailing vessel came into Mahukona during the week in ballast, and is loading with sugar.

Miss Quick, a teacher in the seminary, returns to her home in Los Angeles by this steamer. Miss Garnett from Maui fills the vacancy in the seminary staff of teachers.

Tennyson probably had Kohala in mind when he penned the lines "In the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love." There is a prospect of two wedding parties here this spring.

Some rain has fallen, and high winds prevail at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Woods are a welcome addition to our social circles. Mr. Woods takes the management of Puuhue ranch, which is one of the largest in this district.

## THE GERMAN PLAY.

## It Attracts a Large Audience to the College.

The entertainment at Punahou Friday night drew a large audience, in spite of the uncertainty of the weather. The piece de resistance of the evening was the German play, Singvogelchen, a light song-comedy, or Liederspiel, which was given by pupils of Miss Hasforth. The cast was as follows:

Nettchen, Blumenhandlerin .....  
..... Ada R. Whitney  
Freidel, Gartnerbursche .....  
..... Wm. H. Castle, Jr.  
Lord Michel ..... Clifton Tracy  
Box, sein Kammerdiener .....  
..... Wm. H. Rice  
Ort der Handlung: Eine Grosse Stadt.  
Dekoration: Nettchen's Blumen-Geschäft.

The scene of the play is supposed to be somewhere in Germany. An English lord, faded, wan and unspeakably weary, as all properly made English lords are supposed to be, is annoyed by the musical propensities of a young gardener and a flower girl, above whom he lodges. He sets his intellect to work to stop their noise, first with coin, then with love, which some one has told him makes its victims silent, and finally with jealousy. The last works. The youthful gardener and his beloved flower girl are visited by jealousy, and squirm in silence. This is the tragic climax of the play. Fortunately, remorse in the bosom of the lord comes to the rescue of the agonized pair. Under his immaculate shirtbosom this scion of an ancient house feels what the Germans call "conscience-bites." He sallies forth, rushes into the flower shop, and, as an act of expiation, he puts the German language to ten minutes of lingering torture, during which he explains by what wicked artifices he has planted the seeds of jealousy in their bosoms. The young couple catch on, and love spreads his wings over the re-united pair.

This is not a profound action, but it has what Aristotle requires for every dramatic action, "a beginning, middle and end." It is not without humorous opportunities, which were improved. All the participants acquitted themselves admirably and the performance was completed without anything occurring to mar it. Miss Ada Whitney and W. R. Castle, Jr., the two songsters, were warmly received, while Clifton Tracy and Wm. H. Rice, as the lackadaisical lord and lackadaisical valet, earned a generous share of approbation.

The entertainment was closed with a series of tableaux, entitled, "A Misfit," "The Dream of the Bride," "Topsy Turvy," "The Waking of the Flowers," "The Declaration," and the "Gypsy Camp." All were charming, funny or beautiful.

## THE MISSES ALBU.

## A Good Sum Guaranteed for a Concert at Hilo.

The talented vocalists, the Misses Albu, who leave by the Kinaiu this afternoon on a visit to the Volcano have, through Mr. J. E. Miller who recently returned from Hilo, accepted the offer of a guarantee to give a concert. Mr. Plunkett who accompanies the gifted singers was asked to spare two evenings, but as the time is so short Hiloites will be delighted by the exquisite songs as given by the true artistes on Saturday evening only. The ladies return to Honolulu on the same vessel. Lovers of real talent residing in Hilo should not miss this genuine musical treat.

## COURT NOTES.

The February term of the First Circuit Court opened yesterday morning with Judge Whiting, who presides, on the bench. G. K. Wilder, Deputy Attorney-General, is to look after the prosecution of criminal cases. All the morning was occupied in calling over the calendar which shows over 140 cases. No indictments were presented, and the following persons being called the charge against them were nolle prosequi by the Government:

James Sherwood for selling liquor, C. Creighton for defendant; George Lycurgus, keeping a disorderly house, P. Neumann and C. Creighton for defendant; S. W. Mahelona, who was tried last term resulting in a disagreement of the jury. C. W. Ashford for defendant.

The only case tried by a Hawaiian jury was that of Keoloha for selling swipes, on appeal from the Honolulu District Court. The jury returned a verdict of acquittal and the defendant was discharged. J. K. Kaulia for defendant.

Judge Cooper further heard arguments in the Banning estate yesterday.

Messrs. Kinney and Brown have filed a motion that the damage case of T. W. Rawlins vs. the Honolulu Soap Works Company be placed on the calendar of the present term for trial. The motion will be opposed by Messrs. A. S. Hartwell and F. M. Hatch for the defendant.

In the assumption case of W. A. Dier vs. Hop Yune Co. Messrs. P. Neumann and C. W. Ashford will appear for the defendants and they have filed a demurrer to the declaration.

F. M. Hatch for the defendant has filed answer of Ira A. Lowell against the assumption claim filed by H. R. Macfarlane as plaintiff.

Hawaiian jurors are required to attend at 9 o'clock this morning.

Judge Cooper has appointed the 9th instant for the hearing of an application made by Pauline McGrew for the appointment of a guardian for Reynold Brodie McGrew, a minor. The application is opposed by Sinette McGrew, the mother, who is alleged as unfit to be entrusted with the custody of the child. A. S. Hartwell for the application; F. M. Wakefield for the mother.

Judge Whiting has accepted and approved the account of Mrs. Mary E. Foster as trustee of a \$4000 legacy set apart in the will of T. R. Foster for the care and maintenance of the burial lot of the deceased. About \$680 had been expended the past four years for that purpose. William Foster for the trustees.

Judge Whiting has appointed John H. Paty as guardian of John M. and Frank B. Caverly, minors, residing in California, but having property interests in these islands. Guardian to qualify under a \$750 bond. W. O. Smith for the application.

In the matter of the assignee's account on the bankrupt estate of John Richardson, Judge Whiting yesterday continued hearing until the 13th instant. Ah Mi and other creditors oppose the account on the ground that no dividends have been paid to them. Carter & Carter for the assignee; V. V. Ashford for the opposing creditors.

## All Off for Hawaii.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Probably a considerable number of persons contemplate taking a trip to Honolulu at an early day. At present several young men are said to be in Washington with the intention of gaining information that will be useful. As Americans they are for a republican form of government in Hawaii. That interesting spot is expected to attract tourists and others who would be good citizens and a valuable addition to the population at the present interesting juncture of affairs there. Should a republic be established, which is not at all unlikely before long, the country would present a good opening for enterprising men of some means and pluck. It is thought not unlikely an infusion of Americanism of the better kind at the present moment would be appreciated by our cousins in the islands.

If Hawaii belonged to Uncle Sam it would soon grow into a grand winter resort.—Inter-Ocean.

President Dole seems to be the right man in the right place, which is to say that he presents a striking contrast to Cleveland.—Globe-Democrat.

The experience of Geo. A. Apgar, of German Valley, N. J. is well worth remembering. He was troubled with chronic diarrhoea and doctored for five months, and was treated by four different doctors without benefit. He then began using Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, of which one small bottle effected a complete cure. It is for sale by all medicine dealers. Benson, Smith & Co., Agents for H. I.